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LAND REPORM PROGRESS STEADY IN NEWLY LIBERATED AREAS;

Approximately 1,500,000,000 mon (1 mon equals 1/6 acre) of land have been distributed among 65 million farmers in newly liberated arose of Corne during 1949 - 1950

nand reform was completed in over 6/7 of the area in which it was undertaken in the Northwest during the winter of 1950 - 1951 Shensi, Shansi, Kansu, and Ningsia provinces were involved. The members of the landless and nearly landless classes received about 3 mou apiece in a total distribution of more than one million mou

Southwest authorities have ordered completion of land reform in from 1/h to 1/3 of the Southwest during 1951. Throughout the Southwest, landlords constituting from 8 to 10 percent of the population control from 65 to 75 percent of the land. Eight or more types of rent procedures give them many ways of mulcting the people. The rent reduction and rent deposit refund program carried out so far this year has resulted in the recovery of 6,500,000,000 catties of grain for the poor farmers of the Southwest.

In carrying out land-reform in perts of Kwangtung a number of faulty procedures have been revealed. They are due principally to the failure of cadres to realize the power of the masses when properly aroused to hate the landlord class. Some cadres see the rent reduction program only as a relief measure rather than a basic step in the total program.

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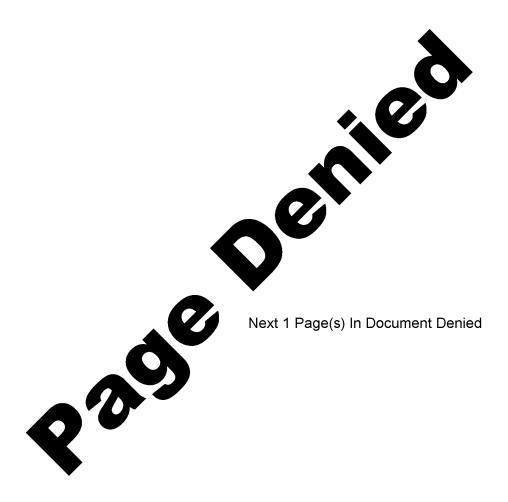
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SOUTHWEST BEGINS SECOND ROUND OF LAND REFORM -- Hong Kong, Ta Kung Pao, 4 Jul 51

Chungking, 3 July (Rsin-hua) -- In mid-June, land reform began in a second group of areas in the Southwest. Before the autumn harvest, 52 hsien in Szychwan, 43 in Kweichow, 10 in Sikang, and 3 in Yunnan will see land reform completed. The combined rural population of these areas is over 30 million. Over 600 cadres from Peiping are taking part in this campaign.

INSPECTION REVEALS FAULTS IN LAND-REFORM PROGRAM -- Canton. Nan-fang Jih-pao, 7 Jul 51

An inspection team from higher party levels sent to Weng-yuan Heien in Kwangtung to inspect the progress of the rent reduction program discovered the following erroneous practices:

In general the cadres were carrying most of the burden of securing rent refunds from landlords themselves, using the poor farmers only as nelpers. They used peaceful methods. Although the result of securing over 912,464 catties of grain and some other goods seemed economically impressive, the following faults are manifest:

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The class beined of the poor farmers has not been aroused to the descret point by struggle; class consciousness in titll low. The poor people have been allowed to hold the opinion that in their neighborhood there are three classes of landlords, wicked, enlightened, and good. They have been allowed to continue to believe that, having suppressed the wicked landlords, the other do not matter.

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leadership among the poor and hired farmers has not been developed. Someonic strongle corporate not been recruited as required. Pelcance has been similarly modified by a former leadership. In the resulting distribution of continuation actions, modified last farmers each took at much at 1,300 cattles and the first station each in June cases, the interfer is were trained and hired formers only 300 cattles each in June cases, the interfer is were such to be personned to line up for a check on the same at it prain they were taking away.

4 Barth ingenitative plans have been dericably reglected. The largest part of the fractions to attraggle have not reached too plans and bired largers.

In some press the landlords are still in control and in some places willings leaders have wasted or embezzled the rent reduction grain received. In one place out of places catties collected, only 1,500 setties reached the poor reasonts.

- Let one takes despise the poor farmers as too backward to exercise leadertrip. They regard even middle-class or wealthy farmers who seem willing to help accepter material for compargu leadership, not recognizing that such persons must sikely have alterior motives.
- 5. Some cadre leaders think of the rent reduction and rent deposit refund campaign as simply a relief campaign for the poor farmers. They fail to realize that it is a basic step toward the completion of the total land-reform program.

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